

**EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of  
5 such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Title, cancel the title and insert the following title ---  
PROCESSING ANIMAL TISSUES BY DECELLULARIZING, INCREASING SURFACE AREA  
AND ACYLATING ---.

10 Applicants' representative, Daniel W. Sullivan, authorized the following amendments by telephone on 10/30/03.

Abstract (page 27),

line 4 of the page, cancel "Described herein are", change  
"methods" to --- Methods ---, and before "for" insert --- are provided  
15 ---;

line 6 of the page, after the period insert --- Preferably,  
decellularized tissue is exposed to an amount of the acylating agent  
of about 0.1% to about 0.3% of wet tissue weight for a time ranging  
from about 30 seconds to about 10 minutes. ---;

20 line 7 of the page, cancel "The disclosed methods result in", and  
change "a" to --- A ---, and after "matrix" insert --- is produced ---  
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line 11 of the page, after the period insert --- The dispersed  
acylated decellularized tissue may be in the form of an injectable  
25 composition that can be introduced into tissue of a subject. ---.